

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE



Application No. : 09/775,265 Confirmation No. : 7230  
Applicant(s) : Paul Clark BLALOCK *et al.*  
Filed : February 1, 2001  
TC/A.U. : 3623  
Examiner : Scott L. Jarrett  
Title : AN ELECTRONIC TRANSPORTATION SERVICES  
MARKETPLACE HAVING SINGLE OR MULTILEVEL AUCTIONS  
AND PREFERRED TRADING PARTNERS

Docket No. : 82001-0387  
Customer No. : 24633

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**RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated October 17, 2005 ("Office Action"), the period for reply being extended by Petition for a One-Month Extension of Time filed concurrently herewith, please amend the above identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 10 of this paper.